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Civil rights groups attack bias drug laws

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Civil rights activists from across the nation will gather in Washington on Thursday, August 26 to discuss "The 100-to-1 Ratio: Racial Bias in Cocaine Laws." The national symposium is sponsored by the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the American Civil Liberties Union, the Criminal Justice Policy Foundation, and the Committee Against the Discriminatory Crack Law.

The symposium will feature the Rev. Jesse Jackson and a number of national drug policy and criminal justice experts. In addition to examining current laws regarding crack, the national symposium will consider overall drug enforcement efforts. A recent analysis by USA Today found that blacks are four times as likely to be arrested on drug charges than whites. That disparity exists even though most drug experts agree that drug use patterns among whites and blacks are virtually the same.

The national symposium is being held on August 26 to coincide with the national march and other activities in Washington over the August 27-29 weekend to commemorate the 30th anniversary of the 1963 March on Washington. The symposium, which is open to the public, will be held in Room 2154 of the Rayburn House Office Building from 8:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Federal and most state drug laws have different penalties for cocaine with much harsher punishment for those possessing crack cocaine than for those with powder cocaine. Under current law, for example, one gram of crack cocaine counts the same as 100 grams of powdered cocaine for sentencing purposes. Simple possession

of five grams of crack (the weight of two pennies) is punished under federal law with a mandatory minimum sentence of 5 years in prison without parole. Those convicted of an equivalent amount of powder cocaine receive probation. Crack is the only drug for which there is a mandatory minimum sentence for simple possession. About 91.5% of persons sentenced under federal crack laws are black.

Medical experts say that crack and the powdered cocaine used more frequently by whites are simply different forms of the same drug. According to the Rev. Joseph Lowery, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, "The law discriminates on its face and in practice. Any law that distinguishes between crack cocaine and powder cocaine is designed to discriminate." In 1990, in a ruling upheld by the Minnesota Supreme Court, Hennepin County Judge Pamela Alexander threw out Minnesota's harsh crack law finding that it was racially discriminatory and that there is no real difference between the dangers of crack and those from the use of powder cocaine.

In late July of this year U.S. District Judge Lyle Strom in Omaha, Nebraska, departed from U.S. Sentencing Commission guidelines requiring harsher sentences for crack dealers as he sentenced four men. In explaining the imposition of substantially lower sentences, Judge Strom wrote, "Members of the African-American race are being treated unfairly in receiving substantially longer sentences than Caucasian males who traditionally deal in powder cocaine." Similar legal challenges of crack sentences are pending in federal courts in St. Louis, Atlanta, and Washington, D.C.

Woman's 'Equality Day' in Newark

NEWARK—The Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women in Newark, will hold its second conference, "Women's Equality/Suffragette Day," on Thursday, August 26, at 11 a.m. in City Hall. Trish Morris-Yamba, the commission's chairwoman, said the event commemorates the signing of a bill on August 26, 1920 that allowed women to vote in the United States. Representatives of various women groups and a coalition of young women, Yamba explained, will participate in the public conclave, and voter education and registration will be provided.

"The Women's Commission was formed last spring by Mayor Sharpe James to address the concerns of women and offer opportunities for economic empowerment to women in the city. So far," James continued, "the group has been responsible for networking, advocacy, and the coordination of services." Yamba said the group has been involved with several initiatives, among which include the recommendation of policies and legislation that affect women.

Teenage pregnancy and domestic violence are issues the group has targeted to address this year. "These are concerns," Yamba noted, "that were overwhelmingly cited as major areas to address as a result of a survey the group issued last year." Also, this year, the women's coalition sponsored a luncheon, "Unsung Heroines," to honor Newark women who have made notable achievements that coincide with the commission's mission. Proceeds from the luncheon went to benefit a scholarship fund the women established for female students. The women of Newark are certainly on the move. They (the women commissioners) have demonstrated commitment and have been diligent in their activities.

The community forums have been extremely informative and helpful to women throughout the City, and I salute the members of this group who are working hard to ensure that women's concerns receive the local, statewide and national attention they deserve. For more information about the commission, please call Morris-Yamba at 643-5710.

CITY NEWS

THE NEW JOURNAL OF CIVILIZATION

By Debbie Russell-Brown

A handgun is produced every 20 seconds.

That's one of the last lines a viewer sees in the ending credits of HBO's movie "Strapped," an urban reality drama about the lives of black, inner-city young people, one of whom gets caught up selling illegal handguns to raise bail money for his girlfriend. The movie, which was hoped to be as informative as it was entertaining, premiered last Saturday night.

What emerged from a question and answer period following a pre-release screening in Newark, last Thursday night, was a variety of themes — among them guns, violence, the media and youth joblessness. "Strapped," acclaimed actor Forest Whitaker's directorial debut, moved scene by scene with a pulsating soundtrack, witty dialogue and heart-grabbing scenes, keeping the audience tuned in throughout. Teens and younger people subsequently voiced a generally positive view of the movie in a panel discussion following the viewing. Many did note, however, that the audience reaction was something akin to a classic case of "kill the messenger." During the panel discussion, several adults questioned the network for engaging in what they said was profiteering off of the urban violence theme, a cash cow of late for Hollywood.

The network itself says it was merely pairing with a critically acclaimed actor — Whitaker, a 1988 Cannes Film Festival award winner for Best Actor in the movie "Bird," who recently starred in Neil Jordan's smash hit, the "Crying Game," whose work and ideas they admired, when they decided to financially back his movie.

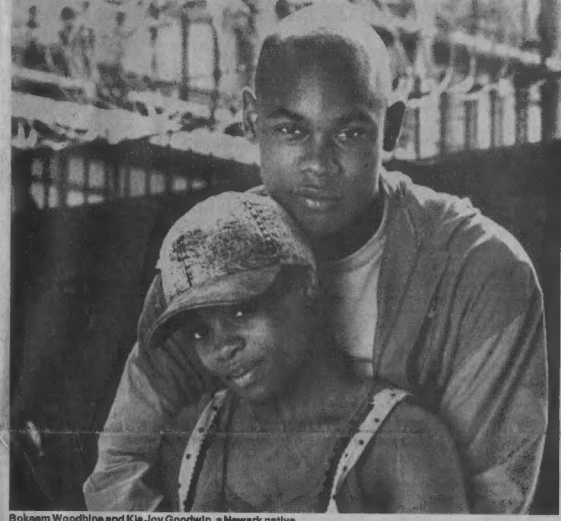
"I mean Forest came to us because he himself really believed in this project and felt it was important to seriously address the issues of guns and violence. He wrote it in the aftermath of the riots in south central Los Angeles. He wasn't a bunch of HBO suits sitting in a marketing meeting saying hey, let's cash in on the popularity of urban street dramas," commented a concerned HBO representative, after listening to the complaints.

Post "New Jack City" and "Boys
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by William Reed

Did you ever notice that black people are always talking about what we're "fixin' to get ready to do"? When was the last time you know that Black America collectively stepped forward and stood behind a movement or cause long enough to make it happen? The last great collective black capital project was Marcus Garvey's "Back to Africa" movement of the 1920s. Then, four million Negroes bought stock in the Black Star Lines, Inc. illustrating what we can do when we want to. While just a few hundred American blacks actually went to Liberia, years of government persecution of Garvey cut off the head of Black America's most successful capital accumulation campaign.

Right before our eyes, American Jews have built Israel from barren land to what it is today and Asians have made Asian America prosper across urban America. Unlike the Jews, Asians, or even the blacks of yesteryear, blacks today have no monument they can show as an achievement. Since Martin Luther King's "dream," most of us have been doing just that, dreaming about what we are getting ready to do. Will four



Bokem Woodbine and Kia Joy Goodwin, a Newark native

Rumors surround Jordan tragedy

by R.L. Greene

The tragic death of Michael Jordan's father, forcefully brings home the fact that no one in this day and age, regardless of how high one has reached, is beyond the brutal reality of our gun-crazed culture, nor is one above the slings and arrows that normally follow people up the ladder of success.

That Air Jordan has soared so high, becoming one of the best known and definitely the highest-paid athletes in the world, is reason enough for the unfounded rumors to begin

circulating at almost the exact instant his father's stripped luxury car was discovered in a rural wooded area.

When James Jordan's body was found floating in a South Carolina marsh, his death caused by a single bullet to the chest, some in the nation's media were quick to suggest the death was somehow connected to Air Jordan's penchant for gambling. His son, after all, has been accused of losing millions of dollars to hustlers on the golf course and at Atlantic City casinos, while pundits note the seed doesn't fall far from the tree.

How quick we are to search for the sewage in someone's life, the

skeletons in their closet. And that's especially true when that someone is a prominent Black who, from all outward appearances seems to have it made. At least one writer explained, while the investigation was going on into the disappearance and death of James Jordan, was the reason the media was led astray into speculating that gambling or business debts were at the root of the shooting.

If the Jordan family had been more open and willing to talk to the media right from the beginning, the writer's reasoning went, then the
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Making 'Soul City' a reality

million contemporary blacks support something that can illustrate our common commitment in today's environment?

Some African Americans will remember 20 years ago, when the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) Legislative Weekend stated that a Black Family Plan should be created to produce over \$300 million-a-year in black collective participation toward economic development projects for our inner cities. Others of us will recall that Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) leader Floyd McKissick had proposed that blacks build their own city, out of farms, to be called, Soul City. Although the dreams of the back Family Plan is but now a distant memory, the Soul City project still stands a chance to become a dream "realized."

Now, what used to be called "the Soul City project" is called The Agricultural Investment Fund, Inc. (AIF). It's headquartered in Washington, D.C. at 1134 11th Street, NW, and according to local dentist, Dr. John Thomas, is organized as a corporation to promote economic development and taking advantage of untapped markets and resources. "Like Garvey's 'Back to Africa' movement, AIF's primary mission is to 'promote usage of agricultural land'."

The Fund has 113 acres of land in Warren

County, North Carolina, which is a predominantly black county located on the North Carolina-Virginia border between Raleigh/Durham and Petersburg, Virginia. AIF's "Soul City" is a modern-day project that can show blacks maintaining and increasing their ownership of land, and developing it as a natural resource. AIF's intent is to develop the "Soul City" property over a five-to-ten-year period. As a model, AIF can look at the success of Elijah Muhammad in building his Nation of Islam movement in the 1950s and 1960s through the use of lands, farms, and fishing streams in Alabama and Georgia.

Thomas says that AIF's industrial property "has a seventy-thousand square-foot all brick building, vacant." It has sufficient area that could be subdivided into industrial or commercial sites now, among other things, a food processing plant, biomedical research and agricultural research and development center.

Many blacks may wish to see what mind of capitalist "magic" they can achieve through combined efforts on projects with the AIF. At the moment, Dr. Thomas says that "The Fund has arrangement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to purchase 85 residential lots, 62 acres of industrial land and 23 acres of industrial/commercial land in Soul city."

Karen Johnson: A phenomenal woman

By Gwen McKinney

"Gentlemen, take your seats." That's what Karen Johnson remembers as her introduction to the officers' call at the Air Force base in Thailand where the now-retired lieutenant colonel began her overseas career. She was the only African-American woman and one of only 14 women total among the 3,000 men at the base.

Johnson, a registered nurse who joined the military out of a desire to heal, found it hard to swallow the indignities she suffered from. "They enlisted men simply refused to salute me," said Johnson. "They'd see me on the base and say 'Hey, Babe, what's happening?'" She also remembers the "Thai" taunts "who offered the men alone away from-

home wife and mistress for as little as a dollar a day. In Thailand and on her next assignment in Spain, Johnson began to reject the racist and sexist insults by toughening her exterior and quietly fighting back. The word soon got out that soldiers had better salute her "because K.J. won't play that way." Her resistance grew even more vocal as she emerged as an activist with the National Organization for Women (NOW) in Spain.

The 45-year-old Johnson says NOW helped her redirect internalized racism and sexism and deal directly with the realities of being "unmale, unwhite, unrich and unheard." In July, she was elected NOW's National Secretary, one of four officer positions of the 280,000 member organization. It's been a long road from the slum apartment in Jersey City, where Johnson, the oldest of five children, was raised by a single mother on welfare. But, perhaps that journey had its purpose. "Liv-

ing in a violent urban ghetto instilled in me an intense desire to become a productive member of my community," said Johnson. At the age of 17, she entered nursing school and three years later, became a registered nurse in charge of the evening shift of an emergency room at a Newark, N.J., medical center. Thus began a 25-year professional nursing career.

Johnson joined the Air Force as a nurse officer during the latter part of the Vietnam War—a time when women comprised less than two percent of the military. So great were her accomplishments that she was accepted into the Air Force's highly selective Institute of Technology and from there went on to Yale University to receive a master's degree in psychiatric nursing. In 1980, the military's largest medical facility named her "Nurse of the Year." She retired from the Air

Force last year with a Commendation Medal, a Humanitarian Service Medal and two Meritorious Service Medals.

Johnson's 18-year involvement with NOW ranges from in-your-face activism to serving on state and national boards and committees. As National Secretary she will push for the rights of women in the United States and around the world. NOW President Patricia Ireland predicted Johnson will help bolster NOW's efforts to abolish the triple oppression of sexism, racism and classism affecting women of color today.

"It's people like Karen Johnson who embody the feminist struggle," said Ireland. "More specifically, she speaks to NOW's mandate to secure equality and justice for all women in every aspect of our lives."



NEWARK—Local members of Beta Alpha Omega Chapter, Newark, of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. recently attended its National Leadership Seminar in Atlanta, Georgia. The theme of the seminar was "Developing New Dimensions in Leadership." (L-R) Winifred Walden, Sylvia Cyrus, Lammy Clarke, chapter president; Dr. Mebel B. Perry, and Melody Parker.

Green announces job training grant for Plainfield YWCA

TRENTON—Assemblyman Jerry Green (D-Plainfield) recently announced the award of \$100,000.00 to provide job-training programs for dependent women in Plainfield. "It is important that we provide these women with the necessary skills to access the current job market, with a job, comes independence, and with independence, comes dignity," said Green. The grant from the Division on Women of the Department of Community Affairs was awarded to the YWCA of Plainfield and North Plainfield.

Jaquelyn Glock, the Executive Director of the YWCA said that the state grant was one of their most important sources of funding. The money will enable the YWCA to continue to operate its Job Training Center for Urban Women. In addition to providing clients with relevant job training, the program assists them in finding employment that will allow them to put their new skills to work. Supplemental training teaches women how to keep

their job and use their skills to advance.

The assemblyman said that 75 percent of women enrolled in the program either found a job or were placed in a higher education learning environment. "It is all about improving the quality of your life, these women have the intelligence and the motivation to become more independent, and the YWCA is providing them with the tools they need to access decent jobs."

Evelyn Leverett, a Director for the YWCA, said that the grant will provide funding for the SIGI Plus Assessment Program. The computerized career-guidance program, which is administered by trained staff members, is used in conjunction with personal interviews to ascertain the training and educational needs of each individual client. The women's center was able to provide job training and other related services to nearly 200 women last year.

Assemblyman Green stated "This grant represents an opportunity to break the cycle of dependence, by empowering these women, we give them a chance to take control of their lives and we give them hope for a better tomorrow."

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Stop beating your kids!

By Dr. Charles W. Faulkner

I was delivering a talk to a group of young mothers and fathers about behavior and personal problems and told them to ask me any questions they wanted to. About an hour and a half later, one young mother, who I had said she had a one-year-old daughter and frequently spanked her, but her spanking did no good. Her daughter continued to disobey her and she wanted to know what else she should do to discipline her daughter. Another mother said that she could not get her eight-month-old daughter to obey her, she said that every time that she told her daughter to stop doing something, the daughter continued to do it, so she spanked her. The little girl cried when her mother spanked her, but then continued to disobey her. The mother got angrier and angrier. "Sometimes I feel like I am losing complete control of myself. One day, I am going to hurt my daughter badly."

Both of the mothers said that they didn't actually beat their children. They just "spanked" them. I told them that I was against any parent hitting a child. I told them that spanking was the same as beating, only the name was different. My comment angered the entire audience of parents, and they attacked me loudly.

I told them that if they raised their children properly there would be no need to hit them, in any case, they should consider using psychology to discipline their children. I told them that parents were risking serious and permanent injury to their children. I told the mother, who said that she sometimes loses control of herself when her eight-month-old daughter says to seek counseling in order to learn how to remain in control.

A former counselor, who had been a school teacher said, "I know the facts. People are bad by nature, the Bible says so, you have got to beat people in order to discipline them. An intelligent person knows that. The Bible says, 'spare the rod and spoil the child.' So, I don't care what anybody says, I am going to beat my children whenever they don't do what I want them to do."

(Would you like to have this man as your counselor?) The man who spoke used the Bible to support his terrible philosophy. The fact is that most people who beat their children were beaten themselves by their parents when they were children. The only way they know to discipline their children is with violent behavior. They often justify their behavior by referring to the Bible, they do not seem to be aware of the possibility that they could seriously injure their children. Nothing positive can come from the beating of children. Children will simply grow up hating their parents and using violence to solve all of their problems. Also, parents often take out their frustrations over problems in their lives on their children simply because they can't fight back. Common sense, psychology and compassion usually make most relationships work. Spare the rod and save the child.

Taking care of the children

JERSEY CITY—Sheila Sobel has been awarded a Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential in recognition of outstanding work with young children. The credential was awarded by the Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition in Washington, D.C., which represents the early childhood profession.

Sobel operates her child care center in downtown Jersey City. It is located two blocks from Grove Street Park and 2 blocks from Van Vorst

Park. The center is currently accepting enrollment for September, and children ages 2-12, are welcome. The program has a multi-cultural emphasis through music, food and games. Ms. Sobel has an extensive background with children 2-12 as a caregiver, counselor and movement specialist. The center is open from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. For further information please call, 201 435-1313.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26

PLAINFIELD—Mullenberg Regional Medical Center will be having a Breast Feeding Class. For more info, call (908) 658-2353. Pre-registration is required.

NEWARK—A concert featuring the original jazz sounds of LIFE, will be held at 7 p.m. at the Riker Kill Art Park in Livingston to benefit the AIDS Resource Foundation for Children, Inc., and agency that provides transitional homes and related services for children with AIDS. Suggested donations \$5.00/person. For more info call (201) 483-4250.

ELIZABETH—Union County presents "Summer Nights & Sounds," a free lunch time performance and exhibit series, featuring "Ragtime To Broadway" with Ed Pearson, from 12-2:00 p.m. at the County Park (adjacent to St. John's Parsonage, 633 Pearl St.). Bring lunch, lawn chairs or blankets. Free parking available.

NEW YORK—Free Open House at NYU. NYU will be having a Master's Program on Tourism and Travel Management from 6 to 8 p.m. at 48 Cooper Square, Rm. 202. Free Career Night at NYU. Come learn about international business from 6 to 8 p.m. at NYU Midtown Center, 11 West 42nd St., 4th Flr. For more info, call 212-998-7080.

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Unemployment and Poverty Action Committee invites you, your family and friends to attend a reunion for the 1963 participants in the March on Washington at the Helen Dwight Reid Educational Foundation, 1391 18th St. NW, 2nd Flr. The reunion will be a three day event.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27

NEW PROVIDENCE—Sharing, a volunteer organization for handicapped, will hold a Thrift Clothing Sale from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for three days, at the United Methodist Church, 1441 Springfield Ave.

NEW YORK—Free Open House at NYU. NYU will be having a Diploma Program on Real Estate at NYU Midtown Center, 11 W 42nd St., 4th Flr. from 6 to 7:30 p.m. For more info, call (212) 998-7080.

SAUNDERS, AUGUST 28

TEANECK—The Bergen County N.A.A.C.P. presents "African Family Day '93" from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. at the Bardonia Shell and Gas Station. For more info call 837-9367.

MONDAY, AUGUST 30

NEW YORK—Open House at NYU. NYU will be having a Diploma Program on Paralegal Studies from 6 to 8 p.m. at NYU Midtown Center, 11 W 42nd St., 4th Flr. Free Career Night at NYU. Come learn about Travel Counselor from 6 to 8 p.m. at 48 Cooper Square, Rm. 202. For more info, call 212-998-7080.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31

EAST ORANGE—Plaza Village Community Market from 12 noon 'til 4 p.m. at City Hall Plaza. For more info, call 201-286-5147.

NEW YORK—Free Career Night at NYU. Come learn about Marketing and Conference Management from 6 to 8 p.m. at 48 Cooper Square, Rm. 202. For more info, call 212-998-7080.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

MONTCLAIR—The Montclair Art Museum (MAM) will offer a schedule of studio art classes, including the drawing, pastel, and watercolor, and other workshops. For a complete brochure and registration call (201) 756-5620.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

EDISON—Application deadlines for the Fall 1993 semester at Middlesex County College are fast approaching. Students interested in applying for non-degree programs must apply by September 7. For more info, call 908-506-2510.

MOUNTAINDSIDE—Union County is offering adult horseback riding lessons Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., and Sundays at 12:45 p.m. at the Watchung Stable, 11160 Summit Lane. For information call 908-786-3665.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

NEWARK—The Newark Public Library will be having a tribute to their Senior Patrons by presenting a book titled "Developed specifically to the needs and interests of their senior citizen community. For more info, contact Michelle Lindora at 201-733-7734.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

MADISON—Certificate Program in Human Resource Professional Development. Time will be 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For details, call 201-460-5200.

SAUNDERS, SEPTEMBER 18

MORRISTOWN—The 4th Morristown Contemporary Craft Show will be held at G. Mannen Arena, 161 E. Hanover Ave. featuring Jewellers, Woodworkers, Glass Blowers, Fine Artists, Photographers, Silk Artists. Weavers, and many more from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday, September 19. For more info call (201) 326-7651.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

WESTFIELD—Rugers Cooperative Extension provides information on how to use the new nutrition label to help you select healthier foods from the markets. There will be two classes from 1 to 3 p.m. and repeated 7 to 9 p.m. To register, call 908-554-9554.

JAMESBURG—The 12th Annual American Cancer Society New Jersey Division State Golf Tournament will be held at Forsgate Country Club. To register call 1-800-ACS-2345.

WESTFIELD—Rugers Cooperative Extension will be having a Vegetarian Diet class, at the YMCA in Westfield from 7 to 9 p.m. To register call 908-233-2700.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31

NEWARK—The Newark Museum presents their Family Feature, "Weather Machine." For ages 8 and up comes and investigate common weather patterns changes in the Solar System. For times and info, call 201-556-6550.

By Robert N. Taylor

Tuskegee wins academic competition: The fourth Annual Honda Campus all-star challenge was won recently by students from Tuskegee University of Tuskegee, Alabama. The university took academic competition in the last 30 seconds by narrowly defeating Morehouse College of Atlanta. The annual competition showcases black colleges and universities. Tuskegee received a \$50,000 grant from the automaker Honda—LOS ANGELES

**Newark
receives one
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NEWARK—The Newark School District recently received a donation of one million books from

gene C. Campbell said he's very excited about this donation. "It's almost unheard of for a company to donate a million books to a school district, particularly books in such great condition. These are brand new books that I'm sure our students will enjoy for many years."

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New Jersey	Permit-to-purchase	30
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Pennsylvania	Waiting period	48
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They also produced a documentary on South African civil rights leader Nelson R. Mandela.

So while the panel discussion focused on the media more than social ills, many viewers say they left with a better understanding of how easy it is to circulate illegal guns and the importance of stopping the illicit traf-

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Washington, D.C. the actor/director said that he hoped the movie would influence policy makers and politicians alike by illuminating the violence and bloodshed wreaked on communities by excess hand guns.

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how they're trying to feel some sense of well-being, some sense of trying to have what they want. The film takes a piece of life and tries to show what people feel inside. If they can see this world that they live in, then they can make decisions on their own. They'll also realize that the lives are respectable the way they are."

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New Jersey	Permit-to-purchase	30	All	Y
New York	Permit-to-Purchase	6 months	Handguns	Y
Connecticut	Waiting period	14 days	All	N
Pennsylvania	Waiting period	48 hours	Handguns	Y
Delaware	Telephone Check	3 days	Handguns & rifles	N

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EDITORIAL

Black community 'Strapped' by same old plot

Diquan wanted the best for his baby. He wanted to make sure the baby's mother was properly cared for. He even accompanied her to the clinic for check-ups. He worked hard as a messenger to earn money for his soon-to-be family. Diquan also loved and respected his mother and was a good role model for the other siblings.

These attributes could be the basis of any positive motivating film inspiring black youth to succeed. Unfortunately, all the positive qualities of this young black male were lost in "Strapped." The producers and HBO decided to cash in on the homeboy, violence scenario that pervades black films today. The message concerning the need for gun control, the use-of-guns out of control in urban communities, and most alarmingly by young kids and teens, is clear. However, once again it portrays the conditions under which urban teens live as hopeless.

We strongly suggest that in addition to the violent, crime-ridden films that abound in Hollywood today, that we give urban kids a reason not to carry guns, a reason to become law-abiding citizens, a reason to want to live. Please don't use the excuse that the stories don't exist. They do and HBO and other producers should hear from our communities that we want those films that give our community hope and our children something to live for.

Letters

Dear Editor:

Our relatively young organization, the Coalition of Minority Employees of the New Jersey Autonomous Agencies, represents more than 500 minority employees of the New Jersey Highway Authority, New Jersey Transit, New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, Port Authority, Turnpike Authority and the Board of Regulatory Commissioners.

After months of frustrating experiences with Governor Florio and several of his high-ranking Democratic colleagues who allegedly represent our interests in their various elected and appointed roles, our executive committee recently decided to meet with Republican gubernatorial candidate Christine Todd Whitman.

We have met with a member of the Governor's staff and written to the Governor directly several times about the oppressive and discriminatory manner in which minority employees, particularly African Americans, are treated at most of New Jersey's independent agencies. We have also shared our concerns with Senator Bradley and with State Democratic Chairman Raymond

Lesniak. Most recently, we joined Highway Authority Commissioner Julian Robinson and Orange councilman Rudolph Thomas in complaining in writing to Mr. Florio about the high-handed and grossly unfair manner in which a retiring New Jersey State Police officer has been appointed over more qualified candidates as Director of Tolls at the Highway Authority.

We have received absolutely no response from the above trio of Democrats. And we therefore sadly conclude that we are wasting our time expecting white men to confront other white men of the same old boys' network to effect meaningful solutions to black grievances.

Accordingly, we have decided to concentrate part of our efforts to redress our grievances in the state's judicial system and to also explore the beginning of a relationship with the New Jersey Republican Party. Formost of its life-long Democrats, this is a difficult decision. We regret that Democratic insensitivity and intransigence make it necessary.

Jersey J. Jackson, Chairman
Coalition of Minority Employees

PRAYER ROBES AND SKULLCAPS

POLITICS OF COLOR AND POMPOUS PEOPLE

By Carolyn L. Bennett, Ph.D.

"If a person believes that a thing is right and has to struggle with it to do it, the person will find astonishing strength and peace of mind when the act is accomplished."

"It would not be truthful to say that everything in every way has progressed but there are more people who are convinced of the necessity and rightness of change."

"A Negro must qualify...and must be equal to the white competition if he is to find a place."

These are Marian Anderson's words. Good counsel unheeded by today's "African-American" prayer robes and skullcaps that would dismiss her as a "white Negro" unworthy of serious consideration.

Unlike Dr. Leonard Jeffries of

City University of New York (and like brethren of elsewhere, USA), Marian Anderson never found it necessary to insult anybody or pretend to be somebody she was not. In matters of personal character and creation, no one anywhere was more wonderful or more accomplished than Marian Anderson.

Her creation, her art, her music, her voice, her presence commanded the admiration of the world. Thousands sat at her feet and were changed by her creation. She changed the order of things for other singers used by minorities who were not singers. No one loved her people and her country more, or gave more of herself for them, than Marian Anderson.

I've just been reading My Lord What a Morning, her autobiography titled for one of my favorite songs sung by Marian Anderson.

I celebrate her life and work (her contributions to young singers, to black

Americans, to the whole of America). But I also grieve her passing. I grieve because she was a black American (no more portrayed in national press) fit to receive the legacy of Marian Anderson.

They are instead mean-spirited black Americans lacking in substance, courage and the capacity for genuine creativity and creation. You see them walking the streets and lecture halls in prayer robes and skullcaps. They play politics of color and beguile with pompous behavior.

We have become a people of prayer robes and skullcaps pompously strutting about trying to be someone that we are not, never have been, and never will be. We fritter away our time, waste the time of our children and proteges dressing ourselves and them as for a fashion show or a masked ball. Play acting as if our lives were rehearsals instead of works in progress, each day vitally important as it is our only day.

Dr. Leonard Jeffries of City University of New York is the sad case in point. He dresses the fashion of a time warp in which the American Negro and black American never existed. He insults other people out of his own sense of powerlessness, not for what someone has done to him. But for lack of his own creation. Unlike Marian Anderson Mr. Jeffries calls attention to himself as his creation, his art, the high performance of that art.

I grieve because there are problems that cannot be solved with prayer robes, skullcaps, color politics and pompous attitudes and behavior.

America has many problems that cry out for the able experience not of an African but of an American Negro, a/black American, a cultural being who is distinct from Africans of any culture or country.

There is a history, an experience, unique to the American Negro, the Negro in America, the black American that must be brought to bear on America's problems. This cannot be done by Africans past or present in America because their ex-

well as Mayor of Newark under the old commission form of government. He was one of the city's most popular mayors and initiated many social reforms during his tenure, particularly the promotion of blacks in departments from health and welfare to maintenance and secretarial positions in city hall.

As ill health took its toll of councilman Villani, his wife emerged as his spokesperson representing him at ceremonial events, handling day-to-day office operations.

She was a popular choice to succeed him and has been a consistently high vote getter in her own right.

Through the years Maria Villani has no doubt found politics more competitive than her former profession as an interior decorator, fashion coordinator and designer.

She has worn her years well and matured with grace, charm and charisma. The most compassionate member of the city council has focused on issues affecting minority women and children and introduced ordinances benefiting the most disadvantaged in the community.

In 1992 Marie and her son, Allen (her chief aide) were indicted by a federal grand jury on charges of defrauding the city of more than \$30,000 through the salary of a former aide and by charging about \$3,700 in fraudulent restaurant, travel and expense vouchers. They have pleaded innocent and are awaiting trial.

Needless to say the Newark city hall grapevine is hard at work trying to figure out who the councilmen will choose.

At last count, the race was rumored to be between Deputy Mayor Loris Quinlan and community activist Mildred Crump.

Quintana came close to beating

Villani in 1990 and based on this his supporters think he should get the nod.

On the other hand, efforts to elect an African American to a council seat has been a bone of contention since the 1980s and a goodly number of citizens think this recognition is long overdue. Since Crump began her crusade to become the first woman of color on the city council in 1986 and has consistently missed the required majority by a few votes, she is once more a favorite for the seat.

This week Crump was in her hometown of Detroit for a little R & R but when reached with the news about Villani she cut her "vacation" short and returned home on Sunday. Several weeks ago she had hosted an appreciation party for many of her former campaign workers and announced she was preparing to make another try for a council seat next May.

It has been reported that during her city hall farewell Villani was overheard saying she would like the seat to be filled by a woman.

This is not to say Quintana and Crump are the only two candidates eyeing the at-large seat. The line forms on the right and is getting longer every day. There are still folks drumming up support for NTU President Carole Graves and others in the North Ward determined to head off Democratic leader Fran Aduabo.

And there doesn't seem to be a Hispanic community for Quintana as long as Maria Viscitrando DeSoto remains a viable possibility. There are also a few Italian American males interested in joining the fray and others who have already targeted several of the incumbents.

Some other women in the news are members of the National Organization for Women in New Jersey (NOW-NJ).

The feud in and fight in among North Jersey and South Jersey chapters promises to be a battle royal beyond the November election since NOW "recommended" Christie Whitman over Gov.

The choice has really upset the members from South Jersey who would be expected to support the governor, a resident of Camden county before he moved north to the governor's mansion.

My informant's tell me the breach is widening every day and even if they patch up the squabble by election day it will have some impact on the election. NOW's support may not be enough to win the election for Whitman but their actions can give the Gov. a kingsize headache for a couple of months.

And if the Whitman "recommendation" wasn't enough of a problem, this week NOW-NJ was off and running again and com-

plaining about "a double standard for women candidates" because former assemblywoman Catherine Costa of Burlington county withdrew her name from the Democratic ticket as a candidate for the State Senate.

Costa is fighting allegations she missed leftover campaign funds while she was director of the Alcoholic Beverage Control commission.

The Election Law Enforcement Commission and the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards have been asked to determine if Costa's alleged leftover campaign funds from her political campaign while she was head of the ABC and prohibited from participating in politics.

Linda Bowker, NOW-NJ campaign director said Costa was pushed out of the race while male politicians who have also faced similar problems "seem immune to this policy." Partly at issue was \$32,000 Costa spent on the lease for a 1988 Cadillac, money that had been in a bank account registered to her political action committee.

As a follow through, NOW urged the party in Burlington County to support Lavonne Johnson, a former Willingboro school board member "who would be a good candidate." Charging the Democrats "choose to ignore a qualified woman and select a man who does not even support the platform of the party," NOW-NJ assumed the voting members of the county Democratic party will support Camden County Freshwater Steven Pettilio, a profile activist, as Costa's replacement.

State Democratic Party leaders could not be reached for comment.

Two other women very much in the news this week were Trish Morris-Yamba, director of Newark Day Center and the Fresh Air Fund and Delores Henry-Metz, an aide to Mayor James.

They are Newark's newest downtown entrepreneurs with the opening of Salon Pao Executive, a hair and nail salon in the Gateway Hilton mall.

Downtown worker-commuters can tend to all their beauty needs from hair and nail wraps to manicures and pedicures and the latest in dry and wet cuts and the fashion statement braids.

The salon is open six days a week from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and earlier by special appointment.

It's the perfect solution to lunch time doldrums and the fact that all services are unisex makes easy whether one is the boss or the secretary.

We wish Morris-Yamba and Henry-Metz the best of all worlds as they join the growing list of female entrepreneurs setting up business in the Renaissance City.

Like always say, Newark's total comeback will be possible because of the women who have always made this city tick!

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KIDS Kalendar

THUR AUGUST 26

NEW YORK—Weekend Workshop for children 4 and older at the Children's Museum of the Arts in SoHo. Workshop's will start 1 to 3 p.m. For more info, call 212-941-9198.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27

EAST ORANGE—Teen Festival at Governor Park, Springfield Ave. N. Park St. and Brighton Ave. from 2 to 8 p.m. For more info, call 201-266-5252.

THUR SEPTEMBER

NEW YORK—The Bronx Zoo will highlight amazing rare white alligator at the World of Reptiles. The park is located off the Bronx River Parkway (exit 6). Hours are 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. on weekdays and until 5:30 p.m. on weekends and holidays. For more info, 718-367-1010.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 & 5

NEW YORK—Weekend Paper Weaving Workshops at the Children's Museum of the Arts in SoHo. Starting every hr. between 12 and 3 p.m. For more info, call 212-941-9198.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 & 12

NEW YORK—Weekend Sand Painting Workshops at the Children's Museum of the Arts in SoHo. Starting every hr. between 12 and 3 p.m. For more info, call 212-941-9198.

NEW YORK—This weekend there will be a celebration of fall and the North American species at the Queens center. Learn how species in this part of the world ready themselves for the change of season. For more info, call 718-271-7781.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 & 19

NEW YORK—Weekend Tree Sculptures Workshops at the Children's Museum of the Arts in SoHo. Starting every hour between 12 and 3 p.m. For more info, call 212-941-9198.

NEW YORK—Elephant Weekend. Come join the fun and celebrate the world's largest land mammal at the Bronx Zoo International Wildlife Conservation Park, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more info, call 718-367-1010.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 & 26

NEW YORK—Weekend Drawing Workshops at the Children's Museum of the Arts in SoHo. Starting every hour between 12 and 3 p.m. For more info, call 212-941-9198.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

NEW YORK—Battery Park City Parks will sponsor "The Poets of New York," including a special visit by Edgar Allan Poe, at 7 p.m. For more info, call 267-9700.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31

NEWARK—The Newark Museum Children's Festival will be Magic Sky in the Dreyfus Planetarium. Experience day turning into night. For ages 4 to 7. Start and Sat's at 1 and 3 p.m. For more info, call 201-596-6611.

National Dean's List students

Forty Jersey City State College students have been named to the National Dean's List for the 1993 spring semester. It was announced by Dr. Marco Cirincione, dean of students. Students on the National Dean's List attained a semester average of 4.0.

In Newark, Ana Rodriguez; Bayonne, Cindy Arrigo; Helen Gorny; Robert Koval; Celia Melone; John Murawski; Richard Shapazian; Margaret Stanek.

Montclair State offers gifted youth programs

MONTCLAIR — This Fall, Montclair State's Gifted and Talented Youth Center will offer a full roster of stimulating non-credit, introductory college-level courses for gifted children, in grades 4 through 10. The registration deadline for classes is Sept. 24, the program will run for 10 Saturdays between Oct. 9 through Dec. 18 and on Sundays from Oct. 10 through Dec. 19.

The primary goal of the Academic Foundations Program for grades 4 through 6, now in its 10th year, is to strengthen verbal and quantitative analytical areas. Course offerings include astronomy, mathematical problem-solving, etymology, creative writing, model congress, chemistry and genetics. A special



Omeche Idoko of Newark

Newark student witnesses government in action

NEWARK—Omeche Joyce Idoko, a student at Science High School, recently witnessed the federal government in action, as a participant in Presidential Classroom's 1993 Senior High School Program in Washington, D.C.

Omeche joined 223 high school juniors and seniors from 34 states, the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. The students

spent a week meeting with government leaders and transition officials, and learning about the democratic process firsthand.

While in Washington, the students attended seminars at the Department of Agriculture, at the Supreme Court, and in other federal buildings. Participants also met with the offices of each of their Senators and Representatives and attended

Congressional sessions, committee hearings, and other events on Capitol Hill.

During the seminar speakers delivered prepared remarks and then answered questions from the students. The discussions addressed some of the most controversial and current issues facing American leadership. The students also attended crossfire discussions on community, social, na-

tional and international issues.

Representing the country's best high school students, Presidential Classroom participants must meet grade point requirements, be active in school or community organizations, and obtain their principal's written approval to attend the program. For further information on the Presidential Classroom call 800-441-6533.

'The next generation'



Thirteen/WNET's The Next Generation: An Innovation mini-series, which profiles scientists whose insights and discoveries will change our world, airs nationally three consecutive Tuesdays, September 7, 14, and 21 at 10 p.m. (ET) on PBS. The program features young science enthusiasts like 18-year-old Burmese-born Monica Kyo (top left, with classmate), who attended the Stanford Medical Youth Science Program last summer. Photo courtesy of the Stanford Medical Youth Science Program.



Time for a culture shock!

TEANECK—Youth Organizations USA (YOUSA), in conjunction with the Educational Committee of First Baptist Church of Teaneck, seeks educators, and concerned individuals willing to volunteer their time and talents to help teach innovative programs for African-American youth in the Teaneck, Englewood, and Hackensack communities, according to Kenneth Jones, educational Committee chairman. The programs will be offered one evening a week and on Saturday mornings. YOUSA president Julian I. Garfield said, "local schools will be the site for the programs through the cooperation of the Teaneck Community Educational Center." He said, programs will be free and targeted to children ages 9 through 15. Programs will serve as a source of support and enhancement for African-American children and their parents, Mr. Jones added.

Youth Organization USA and the First Baptist Church of Teaneck have a history of recognizing and striving to address the needs of African-American youth in the community, as reports will show. "We have often heard

the cries of parents American child," says Jones. He said, "the public education system in the United States is in a state of decay."

"Moreover, the plight of the African-American child, in particular, is critical," Mr. Garfield says, "the time now is to turn the 'cries' into action. Parents and concerned adults," he says, "must help implement the educational and cultural programs YOUSA and the Educational Committee are offering. Garfield calls it a 'self-help' process. Learn by doing, gain by giving, receive by performing. Central to the after-school learning sessions is the curriculum SETCLAE, Self Esteem Through Culture Leads to Academic Excellence. The curriculum includes 32 lesson plans and profile exercises; incentive ideas, award certificates, text books and teacher's guides. The final ingredient, the program leaders say, is parents, adults, and young adults too, to volunteer some time for action."

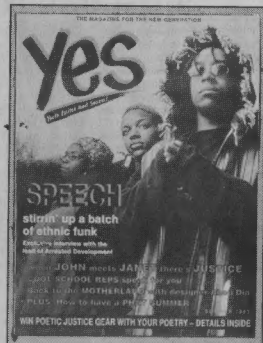
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Religious Calendar

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

JERSEY CITY—Dennis Wiley's Ministries present New Jersey's 8th Annual Outdoor Gospel Music Festival featuring The Elevations, The Gospel Cavaliers, Real Love Mass Choir and more. Special guest Pastor will be Rev. F.C. McClam D.D. The event will be held at P.S. 11 on Bergen Avenue at 2:00 p.m.

THURSDAY AUGUST 29

SCOTCH PLAINS—Evangelical Church kicks off its 1993 season of outdoor lawn concerts every Sunday at 6 p.m. The church is located on 1251 Tenth Rd., Scotch Plains, NJ. Admission is free. For more info, call 908-322-9300.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

DUNELLEN—The Dominican United Methodist Church is seeking artists and crafters for its 10th annual Fall Arts and Crafts Show. Tables and chairs are provided. Other extras are a lunch counter featuring homemade soups, salads and sandwiches, and a bake sale. For more information call 908-755-8252.

Stepping up! NCJW donates shoes to the homeless

The National Council of Jewish women (NCJW) has recently donated 1000 pairs of assorted shoes, sandals and sneakers to the "Shoes for the Homeless" campaign.

Mr. Errol Emerson, executive Director of NCJW announced that the shoes (many of which are new) were transported to the Newark campaign office by the City's Homeless Healthcare Project, a division of the Newark Health and Human Services Department.

Mayor Sharpe James, a past supporter of the "Shoes for the homeless" campaign, said, "I commend the Council of Jewish Women for supporting the efforts to distribute private donations of footwear (especially sneakers) to thousands of homeless citizens in Newark. I encourage citizens to follow suit and donate to this

worthwhile drive." Mayor James noted that the shoes will be distributed at the Gateway City and other locations in the state.

The campaign coordinator expressed his gratitude to NCJW for the donation and Mayor James' endorsement. "I am overwhelmed by the generosity of the Council of Jewish women, and I hope other organizations will follow the great example that they have established."

The program which is patterned after a similar initiative in Chicago, is collecting shoes from the majority of the podiatrists who are members of the Essex/Union County-based organization.

Malkin noted, we are happy to receive any type of usable shoes, but we are really looking to collect more sneakers this year. "For more information, call 1-800-any-shoe"

New Jersey struggles to meet federal air standards

NEWARK—Traffic congestion and air pollution have brought New Jersey to the crossroads. Clogged highways drive up business and transportation costs, impede economic development, and fuel the state's "severe non-attainment" of federal clean air standards.

As a result, New Jersey must comply with the federal 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments. This federal mandate requires a state-wide Employer Trip reduction program at work sites with 100 or more employees.

ETR programs will offer employees commuting and work schedule options to meet regional goals for reducing the number of employees driving alone to work during the morning rush hour by 1996.

Options like carpooling, company-sponsored van pooling and public transit reduce stress while saving employees money on gas, tolls, vehicle maintenance and car insurance. The state is making investments in support of ETR goals. Examples include tax credits on employer benefits

beginning in 1996. Further investments are forthcoming.

The New Jersey Department of Transportation is in the unique position of being both the lead ETR regulator, as well as one of the 5,500 employers regulated by the ETR mandate. The agency advocates fairness and consensus to assure that ETR will be as business-friendly as the law permits.

Against the backdrop of the Clean Air Act, the new direction of New Jersey's transportation strategies is clear. There is neither the money nor the environmental capacity to build our way out of traffic congestion. The efficiency of the existing transportation network must be maximized by moving more people, not more vehicles.

Our goal, however, is not just compliance with federal mandates. Rather, it is achieving a long-term transportation network that supports continued economic vitality, cleaner air and greater mobility for New Jersey's businesses and citizens.

Moderate Exercise: the key to fitness

African Americans, Latinos, Native Americans, and Asians all suffer disproportionately from many of the ailments that can be dramatically improved by exercise and improved physical fitness. Heart disease, diabetes, and high blood pressure are just a few of the ailments that can be prevented or managed through exercise.

The good news is that lengthy, sweat drenched workouts are not needed to achieve physical fitness. The American College of Sports Medicine and U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have released new government guidelines that say a total of 30 minutes of

moderate, intermittent exercise, a few days a week can do the trick. That can mean raking leaves, walking briskly, climbing the stairs, or even gardening. Spending hours in the gym or investing in fancy equipment is simply not necessary. For more information call: Public Information Department, American College of Sports Medicine, 317-637-9200.

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Blacks affected differently by some medicines

by William Reed

Medical studies now show that there are "differences" among the races. The Executive Vice President of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association (PMA), a scientific and professional organization of over 100 prescription drug companies, says that "racial and ethnic differences may cause patients to metabolize drugs differently, have different clinical responses and experience different side effects."

"Dr. Leonard Lawrence, head of the black National Medical Association (NMA) acknowledged at his group's conference here that the racial difference is an accepted fact in the profession. He said: "In the past, research and development processes within the pharmaceutical industry focused primarily on the needs of

majority populations. Clinical trials primarily were conducted within white populations with males as the primary subjects of such trials."

With the results of a survey showing the differences in the races in his hand, Robert F. Allnut, the PMA's VP, announced the first comprehensive effort to determine what medicines

are in development for diseases that disproportionately affect African Americans, or are one of the top 10 causes of death for them. The survey shows 120 medicines in development for diseases that largely affect African Americans, including 28 for heart disease, 25 for respiratory disorders, 21 for AIDS/HIV infections and 20 for cancer.

Forty-five percent of the new drugs are for heart disease, cancer and cerebrovascular disease—the three major causes of death

among African Americans. Diabetes is the fourth major disease killer, and the PMA study shows 14 medicines in development for that ailment. Dr. Richard Butcher, Immediate Past President of the NMA, said the results of the sur-

Since recent research indicates that racial and ethnic differences may make a difference in how a prescription drug works, it is especially important that patients have access to all available medicines.

vey provide "tangible hope of effective treatments."

Butcher and Allnut emphasized the importance of making sure that the medications are made available to all patients, if approved by the Food and Drug Administration. They urged the new national health care reform court to see to it that insurance coverage of these drugs is guaranteed under their program. Currently Congress' legislation on the matter allows states to include restrictive formularies a list of medi-

cines—in their Medicaid programs.

Restrictive formularies exclude certain medicines from coverage by a state Medicaid program, and according to Butcher and Allnut, "Often the newest, most effective therapies are restricted."

Butcher said that "Since racial and ethnic differences may make a difference in how a prescription drug works, it is especially important that patients have access to all available medicines. Medicines should be available to every person who needs them—they should not be unattainable luxuries that poor people can only dream about."

Dr. Lawrence urged action on the part of African Americans, and his group, saying the NMA "opposes any procedure which limits access of

minority patients to the best pharmacologic treatments available. NMA supports active inclusion of minority patients; in all clinical trials of new medications, and NMA also urges that African American physicians be included in such endeavors."

The containment of health costs has increased in the states, and many in the doctors' conference said that because of racial differences in response patterns to pharmacologic agents, it is not in the best interest of minority patients. Many said that restrictive formularies are more frequent in health care systems that are most often available to minority patients and do not serve the best interests of these patients. Allnut said that "It is now becoming increasingly clear that racial and ethnic factors may affect how an individual patient responds to a particular drug. And, the developers of national healthcare reform should take these factors into account, and correct the congressional mistake of allowing a return to restrictive drug formularies

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NEWARK—R&B Jazz Fridays Afterwork at the Top Brass presents Alan Allen & the female vocalists at 6:30 p.m. located in the Robert Treat Hotel, 50 Park Place. For info or reservation call 201-622-1000.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

HOLMDEL—Sade to perform in concert at the Garden State Arts Center. For info, call 908-442-0200.

EAST ORANGE—Saturday Night Dance at the Plaza Village. Dance starts at 6 p.m. For more info, call 201-295-5147.

JERSEY CITY—Donnie Wiley's Ministries present New Jersey's 6th Annual Outdoor Gospel Music Festival featuring The Elevations, The Gospel Crusaders, Real Love Mass Choir and more. Special guest Pastor will be Rev. P.C. McClan D.D. The event will be held at P.S. 11 on Bergen Avenue at 2:00 p.m.

TUESDAY AUGUST 31

NEW YORK—The Metropolitan Museum of Art will place on exhibition, an exceptional group of privately owned old master paintings. For more info, call 212-570-9951.

EAST ORANGE—Hometown Jam at the Plaza Village. Jam starts at 6 p.m. For more info, call 201-295-5147.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

ROCHESTER, NY—Acclaimed hip-hop group The Pharcyde and Krs Kross will perform at the TSA.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

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WASHINGTON, D.C.—Acclaimed hip-hop group The Pharcyde and Krs Kross will perform at the Carter Barron.

THURSDAYS, SEPTEMBER 2

NEWARK—R&B Jazz Thursdays Afterwork at the Top Brass presents Billy Saxton, saxophonist at 6:30 p.m. located in the Robert Treat Hotel, 50 Park Place. For info or reservation call 201-622-1000.

THRU SEPT. 5

NEW YORK—Paul Solder. A retrospective at American Craft Museum, 40 West 53rd St., New York, NY 10019. For more info, call 212-996-3935.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

EDISON, NJ—The Middlesex County College Performing Arts Department will hold open auditions for "Streamers," from 3 to 6 p.m., at the College Studio Theater. For more info, call 908-905-2589 or 908-548-6000, ext. 3411.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

NEW YORK—Jazz Talk at the Lincoln Center. Terence Blanchard and Roy Hargrove discuss the fine art of jazz composition at 6:30 p.m. For tickets info, call 212-721-6500.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

HOLMDEL—The Sixth Annual Festival of the Arts & Heritage of African Americans will be held at the Garden State Arts Center, from 10 to 6 p.m.

NEW YORK—The Newark Museum will be giving a trip to Storm King, where the Mountainville. The bus departs from the Museum's Penny Lane Parking Lot at 9 a.m. For more info, call 201-596-6500.

SEPT. 18 & 19

MORRISTOWN—The 4th Morristown Contemporary Craft Show, where at the G. Mennen Arena, 161 East Hanover Ave., Morristown, NJ, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is \$5. Children under 10 are admitted free. For more info, call 914-355-2400 or 201-326-7651.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

NEW YORK—Terence Blanchard Quintet/Roy Hargrove Quintet will perform at the Lincoln Center, in the Alice Tully Hall at 8 p.m. For ticket info, call 212-721-6500.

THRU SEPTEMBER 30

NEW YORK—A Summer Full of "Jazz" at The New York Public Library for the Performing Arts, located at 40 Lincoln Center Plaza. For information call 212-870-1630, admission is free.

THRU OCTOBER 10

NEW YORK—Gerard and Otto Natzler: Collaboration/Solitude at the American Craft Museum, 40 West 53rd St., New York, NY 10019.

NEW YORK—Edible Drawings by John Cage will be at the American Craft Museum, 40 West 53rd St., New York, NY 10019. For more info, call 212-956-3535.

NEW YORK—New Acquisitions: Craft Today USA at the American Craft Museum, 40 West 53rd St., New York, NY 10019. For more info, call 212-956-3535.

NEWARK—WNET Channel Thirteen presents a week-long presentation of the award-winning series "Eye On The Prize". The first presentation will be on Sunday August 29, 8 p.m. - 11 p.m. The six-part series details the spirit, stories, and events of the civil rights struggle in America between 1954 and 1965. Awakenings (1954-1956) focuses on the 1955 lynching of Emmett Till and the Montgomery, Alabama bus boycott. Fighting Back (1957-1962) examines how law was a tool both for change and resistance to change, particularly in education. Ain't I Scared

of Your Jails 1960-61 relates that changing focus of African-American protest.

On Monday, August 30 8 p.m. - 11 p.m. Eye On The Prize—No Easy Walk (1961-1963) looks at three cities that are indelibly associated with the civil rights movement: Albany, Georgia; Birmingham, Alabama; and Washington, D.C. In Mississippi: Is This America? (1963-1964) black citizens step forward and demand a place in the political process. In the sixth and final hour, Bridge to Freedom (1965), millions have joined the movement and march

in Selma Alabama.

Tuesday August 31 9 - 11 p.m. Eyes On The Prize II—The Time Has Come (1964-1966) Two Societies (1965-68)—the continuation of Eyes On The Prize covers the years from the mid-1960s to the mid-1980s. In the first hour, a new sound is heard in the civil rights movement. The insistent call for power by leaders like Malcolm X and Stokely Carmichael. In the second hour, the movement goes north while the Kerner Commission finds that America is becoming two societies, one black, one white, separate and unequal."

Wednesday September 1, Eyes on the Prize II—Power! (1966-68) explains how in the wake of America's urban riots, black aspirations are channeled into the fight for community control. In The Promised Land (1967-68), Martin Luther King, Jr., stakes out new ground for himself and for the rapidly fragmenting civil rights movement.

Thursday September 2, Eyes on the Prize II—Ain't I gonna shuffle no more (1964-72) begins with a call to pride and a renewed push for unity to galvanize black America. In a national Law? (1968-71), increasingly

black activism is met with a violent and sometimes unethical response from local and federal law enforcement agencies.

Friday, September 3, Eyes On The Prize II—The Keys to the Kingdom (1974-1980) depicts how anti-discrimination legal rights gained in past decades by the civil rights movement are put to the test. In the eighth and final hour, Back to the Movement (1979-1980s), black communities in Miami and Chicago react to their struggles. The series concludes with a look back at the people who made this movement a force for change in America.

LADY DIVAS!

Vesta gives 'everything-n-more'



Vesta

NEW YORK—Extending a tradition that stretches from Aretha Franklin to Chaka Kahn singer/songwriter Vesta has emerged as a full mix of musical acts and genres on "Everything-N-More", her fourth album for A&M Records. "This record is more diverse than anything I've done before," explains Vesta. "It was time to do something that really highlights my versatility." The first single, "Always," was released on July 21st and is sure to bring to mind the other outstanding ballads that have become Vesta's trademark ("Congratulations" and "Special"). Her vocal style and quality are pleasantly consistent, while Vesta uses

"Everything-N-More" to show us the depths of her talents.

When her recording career began over 6 years ago Vesta's records were produced with one or two formats in mind. She was all guns on her 1988 album, "4U". Then she showcased a more mellow side with the subsequent release of her third album, "Special". "4U" included the chart topping single "Congratulations", and the title track from "Special" climbed to the top 10 on Billboard's Hot R&B Singles chart. Both recordings were successful, but for her new album Vesta wanted to deliver something more, and she does. "With 'Everything -N- More', I'm bringing out just that," she says, "everything from ballads to funk, from

hip hop to bebop."

"My music is based on soulfulness and emotion," says Vesta. "And soul is not something I learned, it's just in my genes—I innate! My family is full of great voices, 'she continues. "Three of my relatives, including my grandfather, are Reverends, and my great-grandmother was a fabulous gospel singer." In addition, Vesta's father worked as a DJ, playing jazz and her mother has always loved music.

Consequently, Vesta was raised on a glorious musical diet that includes such singers as Sarah Vaughan, Nancy Wilson, Aretha Franklin, Betty Carter and Carmen McRae. "Their ability to embrace a

song and take flight with it is one of the things I admire most about those singers," Vesta admits.

Along with an inspiring home environment, which began in Coshocton, Ohio, Vesta is thankful for a diverse career as a background singer. Although she is known mostly for her association with Chaka Kahn, Vesta's background experience spans the likes of The Commodores, Julio Iglesias, Christopher Cross, and Jeffrey Osborne. She replaced Nancy Crawford as the singer for the Crusaders, and cites her work with Bobby Womack as having perhaps the most influence on her career.

Nerissa sings 'In The Rain'



Nerissa

Strength and passion are the driving elements in Nerissa's voice, in her writing, and in her music. Her debut album on Active/Select Records in a vibrant rhythm experience you won't easily forget. "In The Rain," is the first single and video from her self entitled debut. This dance cover of The Dramatics' hit song features powerfully stylized vocals, backed by a mid-tempo groove and a hook that will spin in your head long after this song is over.

With influences from Latin, Jazz, R&B and even rock, Nerissa comes at you with an acid Jazz tinged

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Bobbi Humphrey

She has been named "first lady of the flute" by critics and listeners alike. For over two decades Bobbi Humphrey has been playing her special brand of music to audience around the world. Her professional career began in 1971 when she was the first female signed to Blue Note Records.

In 1973 her "Blacks and Blues" LP was not only a huge commercial success, but established a strong cross-over market for her. In that same year she was invited to the prestigious Montreux International Music Festival in Switzerland where she was acclaimed "the surprise hit of the festival" by Leonard Feather, noted music critic of the L.A. Times. Humphrey will be performing in concert at the Club Bena® Dinner Theatre, Saturday September 4, Show time at 9:00 p.m. For further information and ticket prices call 908-721-3000.

'Beauty Shop II'



Shelly Garrett's "Beauty Shop-Part 2: The Laughter Continues," opens on Tuesday, September 14th at the Beacon Theatre, located at 74th & Broadway, for a one week engagement. For ticket information call: 212-496-7070 or charge/txt 307-7171.

dance sound that sets her apart from the ten tracks on her album. Songs like "Go On Get Out" and "Whoo Do We

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CITY BUSINESS

Congress revises SBA loan guarantee

Business Calendar

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25

PATERSON—Small Business: How to get started. A family educational workshop at the Paterson Free Public Library FREE. For info call 201-357-3003.

AUGUST 24-27

NASHVILLE, TN—National Minority Supplier Development Council Business Fair at the Nashville Convention Center. For info call Tennessee Minority Purchasing Council at 615-371-8990.

AUGUST 25-29

DALLAS, TX—National Black Chamber of Commerce Sixth Annual Conference at the Radisson Hotel. William G. Mays, Chairman and CEO, Mays Chemical Company will keynote the conference. For information call 214-421-5200.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

HOUSTON, TX—National Minority Supplier Development Council Business Fair at the Marriott Houston Galleria. For info call Houston Business Council at 713-974-0286.

SEPTEMBER 8-10

NEW ORLEANS, LA—National Minority Supplier Development Council Business Fair at the Louisiana Superdome. For info call Gulf South Minority Purchasing Council at 504-523-7110.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

MINNEAPOLIS, MN—National Minority Supplier Development Council Business Fair at the Minneapolis Convention Center. For info call Minnesota Minority Purchasing Council at 612-375-0361.

SEPTEMBER 12-18

NEW YORK—The American Management Association conference entitled "Management Skills for Executive Secretaries & Administrative Assistants," an advanced course. For more info call 918-891-0368.

SEPTEMBER 18-19

WASHINGTON, DC—Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc. 23rd Annual Legislative Weekend at the Washington Convention Center. Theme: "Generations: Celebrating the Legacy of African American Leadership." Friday: Spouses' Fashion Show and Benefit Concert. Saturday: Prayer Breakfast, Q&A Spouses' Luncheon Fashion Show, Saturday: Annual Awards Dinner. For information call 202-675-0735.

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WASHINGTON, DC—Congress recently approved proposals to stretch Small Business Administration (SBA) loan funds which will make more than \$7.0 billion in guaranteed loans available to credit-starved small businesses in FY 1994. Erskine Bowles, SBA administrator, praised the passage of the authorization bill, which will lower the budget deficit and nourish the economic recovery by allowing SBA to make more 70) General Business Loans to more small businesses at a lower cost than ever before in FY 1994.

These changes will leverage a \$155 million taxpayer investment into more than \$7 billion in guaranteed loans, which will maintain or create more than 600,000 jobs over the next four years, which will generate more than \$1.2 billion in new tax revenues for the government," Bowles said. "That's a good return on your investment in any body's book."

The savings will be accomplished, according to the authorization bill, by making four basic changes in the formula for calculating SBA guarantees and by increasing

fees on sales by financial institutions of guaranteed loans in the secondary market. The four changes in the bill are: Reducing the percentage of the loan that can be guaranteed by SBA on loans by preferred lenders from 80 percent to 70 percent. Reducing the guarantee percentage on real estate loans over \$155,000 with terms over 10 years from 85 percent to 75 percent.

Imposing an annual fee of 0.4 percent of outstanding principal on all SBA loans sold on the secondary market. Allowing SBA to share excess premiums gained on lender sales of SBA-guaranteed loans in the secondary market. SBA would receive half of the portion of the sale price in excess of 110 percent of the balance of the guaranteed portion. "These initiatives do two things," Bowles said. "One, they attack the deficit and save the taxpayers a considerable number of dollars, which is something we are committed to doing. Two, they allow us to fund a program that is going to be in excess of \$7 billion, and that is important in meeting the demand of the small business owners of this country."

Bowles noted that while it is difficult

to predict demand for SBA-guaranteed loans for FY 1994, demand has grown extraordinarily in the past two years. In FY 1991, SBA-

guaranteed loans amounted to less than \$4 billion. The amount grew to \$5.6 billion in FY 1992 and could easily reach \$6.8 billion in FY 1993.

"Small business cannot grow and cannot create jobs without capital," Bowles said. "These changes will go a long way to meeting those needs."

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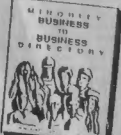
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NBCC to hold annual conference

OAKLAND, CA—Issues of concern to the economic development of Black Americans will be the order of the day when the National Black Chamber of Commerce (NBCC) convenes in Dallas, Texas this summer for its Sixth Annual National Conference.

The conference, which will be held at the Radisson Hotel, 2330 West Northwest Highway, August 25-29, will take as its theme, "Back to the Future: A Committed Past, A Prepared Tomorrow." The conference will be hosted by the Dallas Black Chamber Commerce.

"This year's conference marks the tenth anniversary of our organization," said Clarence J. Patterson, NBCC Chairman of the Board. "It is

an appropriate time to recommit ourselves to the principles of service and sharing that Black business pioneers lived by. We will also take time during the conference to report on the status of the NBCC and its goals for the future."

Among speakers will be keynote addresses by William G. Mays, Chairman and CEO, Mays Chemical Company Inc.; Dallas County State Senator Royce West, and Benjamin S. Ruffin, Vice President of Corporate Affairs, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company.

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Jordan Tragedy

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press wouldn't have jumped to the wrong conclusions it did. In polite circles, that's called hogwash.

Michael Jordan's athletic gifts are fantastic, and they're on display nightly on basketball courts across America, leading the Chicago Bulls to three consecutive National Basketball Association championships. But those natural gifts have been nourished and burnished by hard work. All of us have seen players with similar athletic skills who have never accomplished what Air Jordan has, simply because they have been too lazy; things have come too easily.

While the athletic skills are the base of his popularity, it has taken a lot more for Jordan to become America's super salesman. There is that smile, the openness and sincerity that come through the television tube, and the success of the player and the team. There's the factor that Air Jordan looks as if he's enjoying himself while he's playing. These, of course, are only a small part of what makes one athlete a "good buy," in advertising parlance, while another is not. But there is no question that Jordan's image is good for the products he represents; the advertisers don't throw money away.

Of course, any scandal could instantly cut off the "cash cow" known

as endorsements. But don't feel sorry for the man who defines professional basketball today. It would simply mean that Jordan would be forced to live on "just" the salary he gets from the Bulls, some several million dollars a year. But that's not what this exercise in free speech is all about. As long as he sits above the crowd, and leads the Bulls to victory and the NBA in scoring, Air Jordan will never have to worry about his next paycheck.

What we're talking about here, is the viciousness from some members of the media before knowing the facts; then, when the facts are in, pointing to the Jordan family as the source of the problem. Unfortunately, their rush to the muck has splattered some on Michael Jordan. There will forever be a question in people's minds about Air Jordan's penchant for putting money where his mouth is when it comes to playing golf. Never mind that Jordan's losses, as enormous as they seem to be to you and me, are small when compared to his take-home pay. It's just a fact of life. When you make it, become successful, you also become a bigger target. And there are plenty of people out there ready to take potshots.

Plainfield youth wins golf championship

PLAINFIELD—Chris Brook of South Plainfield won the 65th Annual Plainfield Area Amateur Golf Championship this past weekend at the Plainfield Country Club in Westfield Golf Course. Brooks, the West Nine Junior Champion, finished at even par 132 for the 36-hole event. Larry Boyce of Menchen captured second place honors, 6 strokes behind Brooks. Boyce started the final 18 holes one shot behind Brooks, but his final round score of 72, 6 over par, assured the championship for Brooks.

The 17-year-old champion, Chris Brooks, carded identical rounds of even par 66 for his 132 total. Boyce shot rounds of 67-72 for his 139 total. Fred Kirchoff, of Scotch Plains took third place honors with rounds of 74-69 for a 143 total. Sean Brooks was fourth at 69-76-145 and Jeff Sener fifth at 70-76-146.

The tournament sponsored by the Plainfield Division of Recreation is the oldest municipal-run tournament in the state, dating back to 1928.

Newark library honors 1946 Newark Eagles

NEWARK—Because professional baseball was racially segregated until 1946, many of America's great African-American ball players were restricted to the teams of the Negro National League. One of the most important of these teams was the Newark Eagles, founded by Effa Manley and her husband Abe. The team was a power in the League, the Eagles were the 1946 world champions. Two Eagles, Monte Irvin and Ray Dandridge, are in the Baseball Hall of Fame.

To tell the story of the Newark Eagles, The Friends of The Newark

Public Library is sponsoring a book party to introduce James E. Overyer's new book "Effa Manley and the Newark Eagles" Former Eagles players will be on hand to sign autographs. The program takes place on Thursday, September 14th, from 4:00-7:00pm, in the Library's Centennial Hall, 5 Washington Street. Hot dogs, soda, and autographed books will be available for sale.

Admission to the program is free. For further information call 201-733-7793 or the Library hotline, 201-733-5643

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Newark youths excel at U.S. Youth Games

NEWARK—Officials of the City of Newark's Division of Recreation and Cultural Affairs (DORCA) recently announced that the delegation of Newark youngsters, age 9 through 15, which recently traveled to Birmingham, Alabama to compete in the 1993 "U.S. Youth Games," set some of the best marks in the team's history while garnering a cache of gold and silver medals.

Mayor Sharpe James, a strong supporter of the DORCA-sponsored delegation, said, "I congratulate all of the team members on a job well done. The youngsters represent themselves and the City of Newark in an outstanding fashion, and we certainly anticipate what's in store for the next Youth Games."

Roslyn Lightfoot, DORCA manager, agreed. She said, "I salute the group of determined young athletes who competed against youth from major metropolitan areas across America, in six exciting sports (bowling, tennis, volleyball, track and field, swimming and boys' and girls' basketball).

Newark finished first in Volleyball, second in Girls' Basketball, third in Girls' Track (12 & 13 second-place, 9 & 11 third-place, 14 & 15 third-place), third in Boys' Tennis, fourth in Boys' Track and fourth in Boys' Basketball.

There were also great individual performances. The following are some

of the individual highlights: 14 & 15 Girls' Track - Marissa Defreese, first-place in 800-meter run with a time of 2:19.5 and second-place in the 400-meter relay; Any Smith, second-place in the High Jump, 11 & under Girls' Track - Nicole Crawley, first-place in the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.6, second-place in the 400-meter run with a time of 65.3 and third-place in the High Jump.

In the 12 & 13 Girls' Track division - Sherry White, second-place in the 100-meter run with a time of 5.26, second-place in the 400-meter run with a time of 62.2 and third-place in the 4x100 relay; Danielle Hobson, second-place in the 200-meter dash with a time of 27.2, first-place in the Long Jump with a leap of 14'10" and third-place in the 4x100 relay; Michelle Defreese, second-place in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:37, third in the High Jump with a leap of 4'0"

and third-place in the 4x100 relay; Tiffany Kinnebrew, third-place in the 4x100 relay; 11 & under Boys' Track - Andre Francis, first place in the 100-meter dash and second-place in the 200-meter dash; Greg Taylor, second-place in the 400-meter run; Ronel Dorvil, third-place in the 800-meter run; 12 & 13 Boys' Track Lamar Hay, third-place in the High Jump; 14 & 15 Boys' Track - Newell Scoon, first-place in the 400-meter run and second-place in the High Jump; 14 & 15 Boys' Tennis Singles - Rahman Smiley, second-place; 14 & 15 Boys' Tennis Doubles - Kenneth Martinez and Rahman Smiley, second-place; 12 & 13 Girls' Tennis Singles - Monica Weir, second-place; Swimming - Danny Ascencio, third-place; finishes in the 200-meter Individual Medley, 100-meter Freestyle and 50-meter Freestyle.

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NJ Ethnic festival salutes 1994 World Cup Soccer

TRENTON—The 1994 World Cup Soccer Tournament will be saluted at the New Jersey Ethnic Festival at Liberty State Park next month, Governor Jim Florio announced today.

Fun for the whole family including entertainment, crafts and exhibits will be featured at the waterfront gala. "Visitors to the festival will not only experience our state's rich cultural and ethnic diversity, but sample the anticipated celebration and pageantry associated with the World

Cup," Governor Florio said.

The World Cup games are expected to generate numerous jobs and volunteer opportunities. A total of 2,767,198 fans attended the 52-game 1990 World Cup Tournament with an average of 53,216 spectators per game. Some 1.4 million fans paid to see soccer at the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics — about one-third of the paid attendance.

"This year's program promises to be the best ever with new attrac-

tions and participants," said Advisory Council Chairman Paul Pulizzer. "It will feature our greatest asset — the diverse talents, strengths and heritage" of the residents of the Garden State and enables us to showcase our pride in our ethnic diversity."

A multi-cultural celebration, the festival will feature assorted youth soccer activities and various events associated with the international games. Additionally, a wide variety

of ethnic performers, crafts, foods and displays will be highlighted and seminars will be presented by a myriad of ethnic organizations and non-profit agencies.

World Cup will be played in the United States for the first time in its 64-year history from June 17, 1994 to July 17, 1994. Seven of its 52 matches, including a quarter-final and semi-final will be played in New Jersey's Meadowlands.

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